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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Lawrence Houston ✓
General Counsel

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Chief, Administrative Staff (S)

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Office of Special Operations

SUBJECT:

Project

[redacted]

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25X1A 1. On 4 June 1951, a contract on this project was signed with [redacted] as contracting officer. There is no evidence on the face of the contract that it was ever approved by Counsel. Under the same date, a Declaration of Trust was received from [redacted] but the signature (his true signature, not his pseudonym) was not witnessed, and the Declaration carried no acknowledgment. It was also limited to "monies which at any time have been deposited," and, as it is dated before we provided the first monies, it does not mean very much.

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2. There is also a Declaration of Legal Signature but this is not witnessed although there is a clear line for a witness on the form.

3. All formal documents of this nature should be cleared through and carry the initials of the Legal Department.

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Stuart Hedden
Inspector General